Parish Hall Archived Items

Some say voluntary fund raising is an art and others think it might be a science. Perhaps it's a bit of both, either way the truth is that it is hard work and without dedication is unlikely to succeed. Well our fund raising team have achieved their aim to build a new hall and in so doing secured the best part of £500,000 in funding.

Those working on the team, and there have been many over the past decade or more, have all contributed and deserve recognition and thanks, but in reality such stalwarts did not do it for either - they felt a need to help gain an objective, which would be of benefit to others as well as themselves and at the same time make a difference.

In addition to the fund raisers there are those who grant the funds and they too deserve an accolade. Whatever the source it is nice for them to be recognised and we are grateful to the following for their contribution:

The Big Lottery Fund
The Foundation for Sport and the Arts
Torridge District Council
Ashwater Parish Council
Devon County Council
The District Councillors Community Grant Scheme
Devon Community Foundation - Grassroots Scheme
The Fitton Trust
The 29th May 1961 Charity

The People of Ashwater Parish, their friends and relatives and everyone who contributed financially or gave freely of their time, skill, ability or support.

WE THANK YOU ALL

The following selection of photos once adorned the hall web page but as we move into a new phase with the need for extra space by way of an annexe they have been kept for posterity in this archive

The Old Hall



The New Hall



The work on the new hall was completed on time and on budget in December 2009. An official opening day ceremony was held on 20th March 2010 and involved a full day (and night) of festivities. Thanks are due to all concerned. The project took something like 12 years of dedication to achieve, but the end product is something to be proud of, even in the snow!

The photographs below are a selection of the many taken during work in progress, but why not come and see the finished article? The hall is located just off the village green adjacent to the parish church and well worth a visit. Why not purchase a newspaper and a pasty from the village community shop and take advantage of the picnic tables to admire the view across the Carey valley.





The Site



Week 2. Blockwork Footings



Week 3. Beamwork



Week 3. Slabwork



Week 8. Framework



Week 9. Frame Erection



Week 10. Timbers



Week 11. Ply Roof



Week 11. Roof Insulation



Week 13. Blue Roof Lining



Week 14. Roof Slates



Week 16. Roof Interior



Week 16. Back Cladding

Week 18. Interior

